

**CALHOUN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

**PRESENT AND ACTING:**

**GENE BAILEY, CHAIRMAN  
SCOTT MONLYN, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
EARL HUNT  
JERAL HALL  
DANNY RAY WISE**

**MATT FUQUA, ATTORNEY  
CARLA A. HAND, CLERK OF COURT AND COUNTY COMPTROLLER  
SARAH WILLIAMS, CLERK ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

Chairman Wise called the meeting held in the Regular Meeting room to order at 5:00 P.M.; CT.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Attorney Fuqua administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected County Commissioners, Mr. Earl Hunt and Mr. Scott Monlyn.

**REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD**

- ❖ Commissioner Monlyn nominated Commissioner Bailey for Chairman of the Board. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.
- ❖ Commissioner Wise nominated Commissioner Monlyn for Vice-Chairman of the Board. Commissioner Hunt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**BUDGET RESOLUTION 2018-32**

Clerk Hand stated the budget resolution is for unanticipated revenue in fiscal year 2017-2018 from a \$6,000 Safety Grant.

**RESOLUTION 2018-32  
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF CALHOUN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

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| <b>Revenues</b>                         |                          |                   |                        |                   |
| 42366-00000                             | FMIT – Safety Grant Fund | \$ -              | 6,000                  | 6,000             |
|   | Revenues Total           | <u>\$ -</u>       | <u>6,000</u>           | <u>6,000</u>      |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                     |                          |                   |                        |                   |
| 4252100-44000                           | Rentals and Leases       | \$ 8,500          | 6,000                  | 14,500            |
|   | Expenditures Total       | <u>\$ -</u>       | <u>6,000</u>           | <u>14,500</u>     |

- ❖ Commissioner Wise made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-32. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**COUNTY CLOSURE, THANKSGIVING**

Clerk Hand stated Judge Smiley allowed the courts to close at noon on Wednesday. Clerk Hand stated her office would be closing at noon as well, along with the Property Appraiser and Supervisor of Elections. Clerk Hand stated she is unsure if the Tax Collector’s Office would be closed. Clerk Hand asked the wishes of the Board regarding their offices and employees.

- ❖ Chairman Wise made a motion to close County offices at noon on Wednesday. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Mr. Cliff Edenfield stated the Road Department would be cooking and eating a meal at 11:30, and invited the Commissioners to join them. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

**FRANK SNOWDEN, COUNTY PLANNER**

Mr. Snowden stated a Verizon representative contacted him about rebuilding their tower in Frink that was destroyed during the hurricane. Mr. Snowden stated the tower was already a permitted use of the land, and Verizon is requesting a letter stating they do not require additional permitting in order to rebuild the tower. Attorney Fuqua stated there should be no problem supplying Verizon with the letter.

Mr. Snowden stated another Verizon group would like to come into the county and place small cell poles in order to increase service because of demand at the Altha Police Department, Altha School, Calhoun County EOC, Calhoun County Sheriff’ Department, and the Blountstown Police Department. Attorney Fuqua stated these locations are all within the City limits. Mr. Snowden stated they are in the City limits, but some locations belong to the County. Attorney Fuqua stated since the locations are within the City limits, their Planning Department should be contacted. Mr. Snowden stated he would speak with Ms. Traci Hall regarding the issue.

Mr. Snowden stated he has had a number of calls regarding camper placement on private property. Mr. Snowden stated he was contacted by someone in Clarksville regarding a similar issue as was discussed at the last Board meeting, who would like to place campers on his property across from the Clarksville General Store. Mr. Snowden asked the Board if they would want to conditionally permit any development that exceeds the current density in these areas or must they maintain the current density of the land use category. Attorney Fuqua asked what the density is in the area of the property. Mr. Snowden stated the property is considered mixed use/rural residential and the density is one (1) unit per acre. Mr. Snowden stated he believes the owner would like to densify as much as possible. There was further discussion about density and permitting. Commissioner Wise asked if the infrastructure is in

place for the placement of campers. Mr. Snowden stated the property does not currently have septic or electric. Mr. Snowden stated the owner would have to comply with Health Department regulations before placing any campers on the property. Mr. Snowden asked if the Board is willing to authorize this use with a temporary conditional use permit, as long as State health regulations are met, on a 180-day basis. Mr. Snowden stated right now, the owner is limited to two (2) campers on the property by the density regulations, but would probably rather place at least four (4) campers. There was further discussion about the placement of campers. Mr. Snowden stated his response to the property owner would be that a temporary conditional use permit would need to be obtained, and would require a public hearing before the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners. Attorney Fuqua stated to make sure the property owner was aware they would have to install septic and electric, and that the campers would not be permanent.

#### **APPROVAL OF VOUCHER TO MACKIE, INC. (\$2,200)**

Clerk Hand stated Mackie, Inc. did some work for the Sheriff's Department and for the Board following the hurricane, and sent two bills to the County subsequently in the amount of \$6,300 and \$3,800. Sheriff Kimbrel and Mr. Jenks have looked at the bills and have determined the fair price for payment would be \$2,200 for the work completed at the Sheriff's Department and the Courthouse.

- ❖ Commissioner Hunt made a motion to approve payment of \$2,200 to Mackie, Inc. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. Commissioner Wise asked if the voucher could be paid from the Sheriff's Department budget. Clerk Hand stated the work was on the historic courthouse, which the Board has been providing maintenance. There was further discussion about the invoice. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Bailey recognized Mr. Dennis Jones for his service on the Board of County Commissioners and presented him with a plaque. Chairman Bailey stated the Board appreciated Mr. Jones work and dedication to the County. Mr. Darrell McDougald was not in attendance to the meeting.

#### **COMMISSIONER TIME**

Chairman Bailey asked if any of the new Commissioners had anything they would like to say or discuss tonight regarding the hurricane.

Commissioner Monlyn stated he feels, as a Board, the Commissioners should support the people of Calhoun County, go out into the community, speak to them, and let them know the Board is here for them. Commissioner Monlyn stated in his neighborhood and throughout District four (4) he would continue to go speak to the citizens, show them the Commissioners do support them, and do everything they can to assist people in getting back to normal.

Commissioner Hunt stated he has received a lot of questions about whether or not FEMA could go on private property, and has not been able to find an answer. Commissioner Bailey stated FEMA has a right to entry form, and the last information was that they were trying to get this form passed in Tallahassee to be used in Calhoun County. Commissioner Bailey stated the State contracted for debris pick-up on both County roads and State roads, with Road Inc. picking up the County roads and TRC picking up the State roads. Mr. Edenfield stated he has not been told as of this point if the contractors would be allowed to pick up debris along private roads. Mr. Edenfield stated he has been in contact with Mr. Gainer several times regarding this issue. Mr. Edenfield stated currently, the contract with the State does not cover any private drives or blue sign roads, only green sign roads. Mr. Edenfield stated Mr. Gainer is trying to get the State to either let another contract for private roads, or add private roads to

the current contract. Mr. Edenfield stated worst-case scenario the County would clean up the private roads and request reimbursement, but this has not been recommended until a definitive answer is known from the State. There was further discussion about debris clean up. Commissioner Bailey asked if the County still has the right to use the Road Department to clean roads and receive reimbursement for this since the State has assumed debris pick-up. Attorney Fuqua stated once the County procures the Disaster Recovery Services consultant they could help answer this question. Attorney Fuqua stated FEMA considers the cleanup of someone's property to be less than an acre, and many citizens have far more than one (1) acre of yard they mow and maintain. Attorney Fuqua stated he believes the County would be at risk if they were to start doing cleanup themselves until there has been approval from the State. There was further discussion about the Disaster Recovery Services consultant and debris removal. Ms. Snowden stated they have been referring property owners to the Crisis Clean-up volunteer program, who will pair a property owner with a volunteer group that would come and help clean up their property. Ms. Snowden stated the phone number for this organization is 1-800-451-1954. Ms. Snowden stated this program at least gives homeowners an option until the County can figure out what could be done with the State. There was further discussion about debris clean up. Commissioner Bailey stated he would like all Commissioners to receive information updates by email for all information released by the EOC, and would like the Commissioners to be provided with an information packet of everything that has been released since the hurricane.

Commissioner Bailey stated the County held their auction this past Saturday at the Road Department. Mr. Edenfield stated the auction brought about \$62,000 total. Mr. Edenfield stated there were six (6) ambulances that brought about \$10,000 and the Road Department equipment brought about \$50,000. Mr. Edenfield stated he would like to use some of this money to construct another building to hold all the Road Department equipment and keep it out of the weather. Mr. Edenfield stated the herbicide spray truck and chemicals would be moved to the Road Department, and a locked building would be required for housing the chemicals.

Commissioner Bailey stated the agenda closes on the Wednesday before Board meetings at 4:00, and if there were, anything Commissioners would like included on the agenda to let Ms. Sarah Williams in the Clerk's office know.

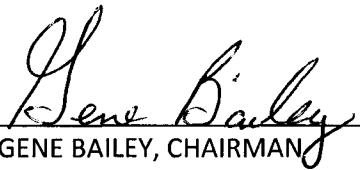
Commissioner Bailey inquired about FDOT and if any determinations for their grant programs had been released. Ms. Snowden stated the five (5) year work plan workshop has been scheduled for December 3, and believes it was postponed from October due to the hurricane. Ms. Snowden stated she would try to have further information by the next Board meeting.

Mr. Edenfield stated the City of Clearwater contacted him recently and are willing to donate street signs to the County to replace the ones that were lost during the hurricane. Mr. Edenfield he would be providing them with a list of signs that are needed. Mr. Edenfield stated even with the signs the City of Clearwater is donating, the County may have to contract with an outside company to replace other signs since so many are missing since the storm. Chairman Bailey asked if this would be reimbursable by FEMA. Mr. Edenfield stated he believes this would be a reimbursable cost.

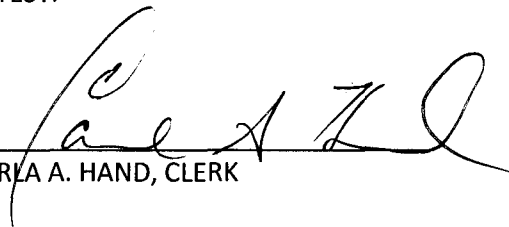
Commissioner Hunt inquired why there were so few inmate work crews being received by the County from the prison. Attorney Fuqua stated the Board has been told this is because there are not enough correctional officers to supervise the work crews and staff the prison compound. Commissioner Hunt asked if a letter should be sent to the Governor's office. Commissioner Wise stated he has been told the State cut the prison budget, which is why they cannot supply as many inmate work crews. Commissioner

Bailey stated he would like to work toward each district being supplied an inmate work crew. Commissioner Bailey stated the Board has also previously voted to purchase two (2) vans and trailers and hire two (2) vacant positions at the Road Department who could check out inmates and provide at least two (2) inmate work crews for the County. Commissioner Bailey stated he knows of at least two (2) people who would be interested in the positions. Mr. Edenfield stated if the Board were willing, he would pursue filling the positions with anyone qualified who has good work ethic.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m., CT.

  
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GENE BAILEY, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

  
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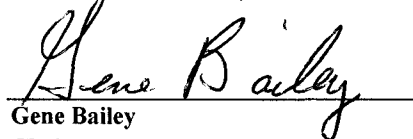
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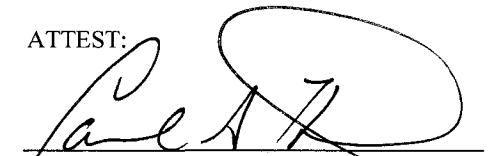
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 Gene Bailey  
 Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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 Carla A. Hand  
 Clerk of Court and County Comptroller  
 Calhoun County, Florida